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TOWN OFFICERS.

Moderator
THOMAS J. WINN

Representative
FRANK P. SYMONDS

Town Clerk and Treasurer
EDWARD L. KENISTON

Selectmen
BERNARD F. BEMIS, FRANK P. SYMONDS,
FRANK F. ROGERS

Auditor
CORBAN C. FARWELL

Health Officer
WILLIAM J. HALPIN

Highway Agent
EVERARD C. WILLARD

Supervisors of Checklists
WILLIAM H. McGRATH, ARTHUR E. WRIGHT,
PERLEY S. BEMIS

Tax Collector
WILLIAM H. McGRATH

Police
CHARLES E. TRASK GEORGE G. MASON

Trustees of Trust Funds
CORBAN C. FARWELL, PERCY W. RUSSELL,
ELWYN W. SEAVER

Town School Board
BERNARD F. BEMIS, FRANK P. SYMONDS,
EUGENE F. KNOWLTON

Treasurer
SAMUEL D. BEMIS

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

We, the undersigned selectmen of Harrisville, respectfully submit the following financial report for the year ending February 15, 1917.

VALUATION OF THE TOWN BY INVOICE TAKEN APRIL 1, 1916.

Improved and unimproved lands and buildings,	$480,080 00
128 horses,	15,425 00
2 asses,	150 00
2 oxen,	250 00
95 cows,	4,045 00
11 neat stock,	350 00
Vehicles, including automobiles,	14,900 00
Boats and launches,	475 00
2 portable mills,	1,100 00
2 shares bank stock,	200 00
Money at interest,	10,860 00
Stock in trade,	31,750 00
Mills and machinery,	60,400 00
Taxable inventory,	$621,460 00
Soldiers' exemptions,	1,400 00
Total inventory,	$622,860 00

MONEY RAISED BY TAXATION.

State tax,	$982 50
County tax,	1,480 17
Highways and bridges,	3,800 00
Beech Hill road,	200 00
Breaking roads,	150 00
State road maintenance,	250 00
Interest on debt,	575 00
Library,	50 00
Town charges,	700 00
State highway,	900 00
Electric lights,	500 00
Chesham lights,	170 00
Railings,	100 00
Schools,	2,166 00
Overlay,	194 07
	$12,217 74

Polls, number, 205; taxes, $410.00.
Tax rate, $1.90.

TAXES COMMITTED TO WILLIAM H. McGRATH COLLECTOR.

Amount committed,	$12,217 74
Collected and paid treasurer,	$11,926 54
Abatements,	18 00
Uncollected,	273 20
	$12,217 74

ASSETS.

Cash in hands of town treasurer,	$1,969 47
Taxes not collected,	273 20
Due from state for bounties,	19 00
Total assets,	$2,261 67
Excess of liabilities over assets,	10,718 96
	$12,980 63

LIABILITIES.

State and town joint highway account,	$656 41
State and town joint maintenance,	164 62
Dog license money due schools,	89 60
Notes outstanding, interest 4 per cent:	
May 19, 1911, payable on demand,	9,000 00
April 23, 1908, payable on demand,	400 00
May 1, 1910, payable on demand,	500 00
May 18, 1911, payable on demand,	150 00
May 19, 1911, payable on demand,	300 00
Jan. 15, 1914, payable on demand,	200 00
Feb. 5, 1914, payable on demand	500 00
Feb. 14, 1914, payable on demand,	300 00
May 2, 1914, payable on demand,	200 00
June 1, 1915, payable on demand,	350 00
Unexpended Chesham electric light assessment.	170 00
Total liabilities,	$12,980 63

ESTIMATES.

The following recommendations are made for the coming year:

Highways and bridges,	$2,500 00
Maintenance of state highway,	275 00
Breaking roads,	250 00
Debt and interest,	1,000 00
Library,	75 00
Street lights,	500 00
Miscellaneous town charges,	600 00
State highway,	900 00
State tax,	985 00
County tax,	1,250 00
	$8,335 00

The annual report of the selectmen and town treasurer is submitted this year in a new form as required by the state tax commission who are requiring all towns to use a uniform system of accounting. The report shows more plainly the financial condition and how the money has been expended.

We would call attention to one item of expense for which there was no appropriation. We were required by vote of the town at the Spring meeting, 1915, to purchase a hearse not to exceed $500. We have exercised our best judgment in this and have purchased same with attachable runners for winter use at a total cost of $452.00.

The appropriation of $150.00 for providing roads in the winter has proved far too small as the report of the road agent will show. Labor conditions which prevailed during the summer and fall made it impossible for us to obtain help at a price that would be approved by the State Highway Department and the state road construction had to be eliminated with the ex-

ception of two cement culverts on the 1912 improved road and seven metal culverts laid in cement on the Beech Hill road.

The matter of highway improvement in the future is one of pressing importance and needs the most intelligent consideration of the citizens and tax payers at the annual meeting.

A committee to be elected at this meeting to confer with the Selectmen in an advisory capacity might improve results. This would surely have the advantage of acquainting those engaged of some of the difficulties which have to be encountered.

Respectfully submitted,

BERNARD F. BEMIS,
FRANK P. SYMONDS,
FRANK F. ROGERS,
Selectmen of Harrisville.

Harrisville, N. H., Februrary 15, 1917.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Current Revenue:

From local taxes:		
1. Property and poll taxes, current year,		$11,926 54
2. Property and poll taxes, previous year,		144 17
From state:		
3. Railroad tax,	$209 01	
4. Savings bank tax,	206 52	
5. Literary fund,	74 52	
6. For education,	229 19	
7. For bounties,	7 20	
For highways:		
8. For state aid maintenance,	415 64	
9. For state aid construction,	110 53	
From county:		
10. For support of poor,	2 30	
From local sources except taxes:		
11. Dog licenses,	89 60	
12. Pool table licenses,	10 00	
13. Interest on taxes,	3 75	
14. Cemetery lots sold,	15 00	
All other receipts:		
15. John H. Bennett, for highways,	20 00	
16. T. J. Winn, police courts fines,	11 25	

17. F. P. Symonds, Representative fee,	2 00	
18. S. P. Tuttle, Representative fee,	2 00	
Total current revenue receipts,		$13,479 22

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

19. Temporary loans during the year, Citizens National bank,	4,150 00
Total receipts from all sources	$17,629 22
Cash on hand at beginning of year,	$463 47
Grand total,	$18,092 69

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

Detail 1. Salaries and Expenses of Principal Town Officers:

Salaries:

Selectman, Bernard F. Bemis,	$82 00	
Selectman, Frank P. Symonds,	59 00	
Selectman, Frank F. Rogers,	78 50	
Treasurer, Edward L. Keniston,	25 00	
Clerk, Edward L. Keniston,	30 00	
Tax collector, William H. McGrath,	70 00	
Auditor, Corban C. Farwell,	2 00	
		$346 50

Expenses:

O. E. Cain, legal advice, 1914 and 1915,	$10 00	
Sentinel Printing Co., town reports,	39 60	
W. B. McClellan, envelopes and postage,	3 12	
C. A. Gilchrist, transportation of selectmen,	4 50	
E. L. Keniston, revenue stamps,	46	
E. L. Keniston, office supplies,	2 20	
Dublin Stage Co., transportation,	2 10	
Johnson Printing Co., display cards,	1 09	
P. H. Faulkner, legal services,	1 00	
W. H. Spalter, invoice books and supplies,	17 80	
Bernard F. Bemis, telephoning, postage and incidentals,	9 25	
Frank P. Symonds, incidentals,	5 87	
		$96 99

Detail 2. Election and Registration Expenses.

Supervisor, William H. McGrath,	$20 00
Supervisor, Arthur E. Wright,	17 00

Election inspector, John J. Stewart,	6 00	
Election inspector, Forrest LaPoint,	6 00	
Election inspector, James E. Wait,	2 00	
Election inspector, Thomas Billeveau,	4 00	
Election inspector, Alfred McDonald,	2 00	
Election inspector, James E. Halpin,	4 00	
		$61 00

Detail 3. Protection of Persons and Property:

Charles E. Trask, police,		$5 00

Detail 4. Education.

Samuel D. Bemis, treasurer of school district, town appropriation,	$21 66	
Samuel D. Bemis, state school money,	303 71	
Samuel D. Bemis, dog license money,	1915, 86 54	
		$2,556 25

Detail 5. Health and Sanitation.

William J. Halpin, health officer and expense,	$69 48	
Charles E. Trask, cleaning and fumigating tramp house,	3 00	
		$72 48

Detail 6. Vital Statistics.

Edward L. Keniston, recording,	$3 50	
A. G. Byrnes, M. D.,	2 00	
		$5 50

Detail 7. Street Lighting.

Keene Gas and Electric Co.,		$500 00

Detail 8. Town Library.

Laura M. Tuttle, town appropriation,	$50 00	
A. J. Upton, wood,	3 00	
Nettie Clark, librarian,	26 00	
		$79 00

Detail 9. Charity.

George F. Bemis, W. J. Singer, burial expenses,	$17 00	
Charles E. Trask, feeding tramps,	5 10	
		$22 10

Detail 10. New Hearse.

H. M. Wilder,	$400 00	
Transportation,	5 00	
John W. Hobbs, attachable runners,	45 00	
George W. Davis, painting,	2 00	
		$452 00

Detail 11. Highways and Bridges.

(a) Highway maintenance, town account, Everard C. Willard, agent, labor and material,	$2,835 31	
(b) Everard C. Willard, agent, breaking and rolling roads in winter,	427 14	
		$3,262 45

Detail 12. Highways, State Aid Maintenance, State and Town Joint Account.

Herbert A. Seaver, patrolman,	$542 56	
Frank O. Cross, main foreman,	218 10	
		$760 66

Detail 13. Highway Construction, State and Town Joint Account.

Frank O. Cross, labor and material, on cement and metal culverts,	$421 85

Detail 14. Notes and Interest.

Winn Brothers, interest,	$360 00	
E. W. Seaver,	6 00	
Laura M. Tuttle,	24 00	
Edgar G. Seaver,	20 00	
George W. Davis,	8 00	
Mrs. F. E. White,	14 00	
Mary J. Seaver,	33 00	
B. F. Bemis,	31 86	
B. F. Bemis,	150 00	
		$646 86

Detail 15. Bounties.

Frank F. Rogers,	$7 20	
Frank F. Rogers,	19 00	
		$26 20

Detail 16. Temporary Loan.

Citizens National Bank,	$4,150 00	
Citizens National Bank, interest,	67 23	
		$4,217 23

Detail 17. Cemeteries.

Henry J. Farwell, care taker,	$28 75	
Elgin A. Jones, lotting and plan,	3 00	
E. W. Seaver, stakes,	75	
A. A. Baldwin, padlock for gate,	3 00	
		$35 50

Detail 18. Other Town Officers.

Sexton, George F. Bemis, 1915,	$8 00	
Town agent, Corban C. Farwell, 1915,	5 00	
Edward L. Keniston, dog constable,	5 00	
Corban C. Farwell, trustee of trust funds, fare to Concord,	2 93	
		$20 93

PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS.

Detail 19.

Taxes paid to state,	$982 50

Detail 20. Taxes paid to County.

Treasurer, W. L. Mason,	$1,480 17

Detail 21. General Expenses.

Elwyn W. Seaver, labor on signs,	$3 50	
Keene Wooden Ware Co., town line posts,	4 00	
Joseph Twombly, expenses to Concord and return,	4 87	

C. A. Gilchrist, guide board and staples,	1 25	
Peter Dionne, sign post and staples,	1 60	
J. C. Bancroft, watering trough,	3 00	
George W. Davis, lettering signs,	90	
Peter Dionne, repairs on snow rollers,	7 00	
John N. Clark, repairs,	1 00	
Robert McColl, repairs on roller and tramp house,	4 25	
Winn Bros., rent of Eagle Hall,	20 00	
George F. Bemis, freight on metal culverts,	2 38	
B. & M. R. R., freight on bridge plank,	3 85	
William H. McGrath, overpayment on 1915 taxes,	14 41	
		$72 01
Total payments for all purposes,		$16,123 22
Cash on hand at end of year,		1,969 47
Grand total,		$18,092 69

EDW. L. KENISTON,

Treasurer.

This is to certify that I examined the above report of the town treasurer, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

C. C. FARWELL,

Auditor.

Harrisville, Feb. 15, 1917.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

To the Citizens of Harrisville:

In presenting to you my second annual report, we wish to state that in the past year we have had reported one case of scarlet fever, 6 cases of measles and 1 of whooping cough. The scarlet fever case was under strict quarantine (by so doing people were not allowed to come in contact with the child at the time). All those having the measles are out again, and we are free from any contageous disease. Very few complaints of people dumping rubbish beside the road were reported. In regard to sink drains, cellars, etc., there were various complaints and in some cases it was found that the complaints were well founded and that sink drains were running into cellars of houses occupied by families. It is a wonder that we have not had more sickness. Some of these things have been remedied and we have the assurance of property owners that there will be a general cleaning up as soon as conditions allow. There was a side street that had been in bad condition for a number of years. Rubbish, etc., has been gathering there. This street has been cleaned up and is now in good condition. If any one knows of any sink drains, etc., that are in bad condition they should either let me know or write to the State Board of Health at Concord, N. H. The matter will be very quickly adjusted.

The past summer we had the infantile paralysis (poliomyelitis) agitation. Everything was done to keep people out of town who were in any district where the disease existed or people who might have come in contact with the disease. In two cases people were not allowed to stop here, but made to

return to their homes. One case was reported back from Boston, where the child was taken down two days after its arrival. Of course at the time it made some ill feelings, but we must stop and consider that a case like that in our small community undoubtedly would develop more. One family was under quarantine for two weeks owing to the fact that they were exposed to the disease in New York. Notices were also posted asking parents to keep their children away from districts where the disease existed. This was done under the advice of the State Board of Health. In closing I wish to thank Hon. G. B. Leighton of Monadnock, who is also a health officer, who kindly assisted in many ways; also the doctors, who in some cases made no charges; also the selectmen, who cooperated in every way.

W. J. HALPIN,
Health Officer.

Feb. 17. Scarlet fever case at Chesham, at Whitcomb's, 4 weeks, including services and team,	$10 00
Paid Dr. Hildreth, fumigating,	3 50
Paid Wm. B. McClellan, for disinfectants,	3 25
March 19. Fumigating schoolhouse,	2 00
April 21. Posting card for measles at Chesham, services and team,	2 00
July 1. Complaint and seeing that cow was buried,	1 50
July 1. Trip to Silver Lake to certify certificate,	1 75
July 1. Complaint and cleaning rubbish from road side,	75
July 1. Paid Ed. Winn, use of auto to Dublin,	1 50
July 1. Services,	1 00
July 1. Paid A. S. Whitcomb, use of auto,	1 00
July 1. Services,	1 00
Sept. Complaints on sink drains, that were running in roads, including cellar investigation, etc.,	2 50

Aug. Attending state board of health conference at Keene, called by the state board of health,	5 50
Sept. Distributing vaccination cards and seeing that all children had been vaccinated and returning cards to children attending school, including services and team,	6 25
Oct. Expense and services for seeing that no persons who might have come in contact or had been exposed to infantile paralysis (poliomyelitis) and posting notices in regard to same,	3 25
Oct. Paid Dr. Childs,	1 50
Oct. Paid Dr. Byrnes,	1 50
Oct. Issuing 210 infantile paralysis (poliomyelitis) certificates of travel,	10 50
Oct. Use of team,	1 50
Dec. Posting and removing measles cards,	1 00
1917. Jan. Posting measles card at Chesham, services and team,	2 00
Jan. Express, telegraph, postage, etc.,	4 73
Total,	$69 48

BOARD OF HEALTH,

W. J. HALPIN,

Health Officer.

Feb. 14, 1917.

REPORT OF

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS.

Trust Funds.	How Invested.	Principal.	Rate of Interest.	Income on hand beginning of year	Expended during year.	Balance Income on Hand end of Year.
School & Ministerial Fund	N. H. savings bank	$1264.01	4	$50.56	$50.56	
Bancroft Cemetery Fund	" " "	100.00	4	4.00	.75	$3.25
Rutherford Cemetery Fund	" " "	60.00	4	2.40	.75	1.65
Fannie Goodnow Cem'y Fd	" " "	25.00	4	1.00		1.00

CORBAN C. FARWELL,

E. W. SEAVER,

P. W. RUSSELL,

Trustees.

Harrisville, Feb. 15, 1917.

REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

Number of volumes in library,	2,539
Number of volumes added by committee during year,	51
Number of volumes issued during year,	1,897

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1916,	$7 14
Received for fines,	1 26
Received from town treasurer,	50 00
	$58 40

EXPENDITURES.

Pand for books and express,	$55 75
Paid for incidentals,	1 19
	$56 94
Balance in hands of librarian,	$1 46

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA M. TUTTLE,
FRANK P. SYMONDS,
NETTIE M. CLARK.

Harrisville, Feb. 15, 1917.

REPORT OF ROAD AGENT.

BREAKING ROADS.

MARCH AND APRIL.

E. C. Willard, 55 hours,	$15 27
R. Blair, 9 hours,	2 00
Frank Willard, 36 hours,	8 00
Team, 24 hours,	7 77
	$33 04

DECEMBER AND JANUARY, 1917.

Albert Upton,	$1 00
Edgar G. Seaver,	2 50
James Venable,	1 00
Dublin Stage Co.,	36 00
	$40 50

BREAKING ROADS, 1916.

Dublin Stage Co.,	$280 27
Chas. Patridge,	3 08
Wm. A. McGrath,	1 00
O. A. Farwell,	8 90
Edgar Seaver,	13 64
S. M. Brown,	12 24

Walter Parker,	3 80
W. W. Lampman,	3 98
Moses Wells,	2 95
John Johnson,	55
B. F. Bemis,	3 35
F. Wiswall,	2 84
	$336 60

HIGHWAY WORK.

APRIL.

E. C. Willard, 40 hours,	$8 73
Frank Willard and team, 42 hours,	23 28
Frank Willard, 46 hours,	10 23
Richard Blair, 21 hours,	4 62
Moses Wells, 18 hours,	4 00
Frank Kelly, 13 1-2 hours,	3 00
	$53 86

MAY.

Frank E. Willard, 126 hours,	$28 00
M. Lowe, 142 hours,	31 56
T. Ward, 9 hours,	2 00
J. Patridge, 133 hours,	29 56
E. C. Willard, 124 hours,	33 54
Team No. 1, 97 hours,	32 32
Team No. 2, 126 hours,	42 00
Moses Wells, 117 hours,	26 00
J. Jolly, 72 hours,	16 00
W. W. Lampman, labor on sluice,	2 50
Frank Kelly, 4 1-2 hours,	1 00
R. Blair, 4 1-2 hours,	1 00

Roy Webber, 27 hours,	6 00
R. Mason, 9 hours,	2 00
T. Campbell, 9 hours,	2 00
Spikes, 20 lbs.,	80
Pat Lahey, 94 1-2 hours,	21 00
Walter Rowe,	1 54
	$278 82

W. W. Lampman, labor on highway for May and June, $157 98

JUNE.

E. C. Willard, 169 hours,	$47 78
Frank E. Willard, 70 hours,	15 55
M. Lowe, 166 hours,	35 77
Moses Wells, 137 hours,	30 44
J. Jolly, 47 hours,	10 44
J. Patridge, 164 hours,	36 44
T. Campbell, 166 hours,	36 88
Team No. 1, 178 hours,	59 32
Roy Webber, 150 hours,	33 33
Team No. 2, 132 hours,	43 66
G. G. Mason and team, 27 hours,	15 00
R. Mason, 27 hours,	6 00
W. C. Tolman, 13 loads gravel,	65
Forest LaPoint, 100 loads gravel,	10 00
E. C. Willard, caps,	60
H. Priest, dynamite and fuse,	3 50
Dublin Stage Co., bill,	1 25
W. C. Tolman, plank and stringers,	92 60
North East Metal Co., bill, pipe,	63 60
Axle grease,	25
20 lbs. spikes,	80

Herbert Seaver,	11 60
W. H. McGrath, gravel,	2 80
	$558 26

JULY.

E. C. Willard, 94 hours,	$26 11
M. Lowe, 36 hours,	8 00
T Campbell, 151 hours,	33 67
J. Patridge, 72 hours,	16 00
M. Wells, 36 hours,	8 00
Roy Webber, 117 hours,	32 78
Team No. 1, 156 1-2 hours,	52 14
Team No. 2, 76 hours,	25 33
A. LaPoint, 69 hours,	15 33
New England Road Machine Co., scraper blade,	8 50
Axel on same,	1 05
Penn Metal Co., pipe,	119 60
W. W. Lampman, labor on highway,	145 50
B. F. Bemis, gravel,	70
	$492 71

AUGUST.

E. C. Willard, 77 hours,	$21 75
Roy Webber, 95 hours,	23 75
T. Campbell, 26 hours,	5 33
Team No. 1, 104 hours,	34 67
A. LaPoint, 18 hours,	4 50
G. Jolly, 9 hours,	2 25
E. C. Willard, stringers,	50
W. W. Lampman,	21 75
B. F. Bemis,	3 45
	$117 95

SEPTEMBER.

E. C. Willard, 99 hours,	$27 50
Roy Webber, 194 hours,	53 86
Team No. 1, 194 hours,	64 66
G. Jolly, 63 hours,	17 50
J. Patridge, 158 hours,	44 16
C. Patridge, 63 hours,	17 50
Team No. 2, 72 hours,	24 00
	$249 18

OCTOBER.

E. C. Willard, 138 hours,	$38 33
Roy Webber, 178 1-2 hours,	49 58
J. Patridge, 193 1-2 hours,	53 75
Team No. 1, 192 hours,	64 00
Team No. 2, 99 hours,	33 00
Fred Sundstrom, 130 1-2 hours,	36 25
W. C. Tolman, 20 loads gravel,	1 00
Chas. MacVeagh, 50 loads gravel,	5 00
Geo. B. Leighton, 50 loads gravel,	5 00
J. Tarbell, 40 loads gravel,	2 40
North East Metal Co., pipe,	82 20
Chas. A. Gilchrist, labor on highway,	17 50
	$388 01

NOVEMBER.

E. C. Willard, 102 hours,	$28 33
J. Patridge, 147 hours,	40 83
Fred Sundstrom, 95 hours,	26 39
Team No. 2, 21 hours,	7 00
Team No. 1, 153 hours,	51 00
Roy Webber, 72 hours,	20 00

John Grimes, 30 loads gravel,	3 00
Cheshire Mills, 15 loads gravel,	1 50
Spikes,	1 60
Penn Metal Co., pipe,	81 54
North East Metal Co., pipe,	68 13
Burton A. Willard, 9 hours,	2 50
Keene Wooden Ware Co., 2,014 ft. plank,	44 30
B. F. Bemis, 20 loads gravel,	2 00
Samuel Mason, labor on highway,	84 05
Robert McColl, bill,	6 70
Freight on pipe from Boston,	2 64
Freight on pipe from Nashua,	1 69
	$473 20

DECEMBER.

E. C. Willard, 63 hours,	$17 50
J. Patridge, 54 hours,	15 00
Team No. 1, 63 hours,	21 00
S. Willard, 22 poles,	2 20
Geo. B. Leighton, 25 poles,	2 50
	$58 20

E. C. WILLARD,

Road Agent.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD.

To the citizens of Harrisville:

We are required to give a report of our schools to the public and are glad to say that they have been successful as a whole; we do not say perfect for it takes many good points to make a perfect school. Of course much depends on the selection of teachers. We exercised our best judgment in this as far as our funds would permit, and have been fortunate in securing those of special training or experience and they have all been faithful to their responsibilities.

The Eastview school, which has been closed for the past two years and the pupils transported to Dublin, was reopened last Spring with eleven scholars. It is hoped that enough scholars will continue to reside here to warrant the continuation of this school.

An increase in the number of scholars in the Chesham school made it necessary to either hire an assistant or open another room. The latter course was deemed the more satisfactory as much of the equipment necessary for this was at hand and we purchased what was needed. The addition of a teacher in this school and one at Eastview and with the increased cost in supplies, fuel, etc., has increased the running expenses of our schools about one-fifth. It will be seen that with these exceptions our schools have been carried on substantially as in previous years.

At the present time there are ten pupils attending high schools for which the town is paying tuition, six of them graduated from the eighth grade last June and passed with credit-

able showing into the high schools at Keene and Hancock. This fact, we believe, warrants us in saying that our schools will compare favorably with those in surrounding towns.

Our common schools are a priceless legacy bequeathed to us which should be carefully treasured and improved, they being the foundation-stone upon which depends the stabilty of our government. A liberal education is one of the greatest promoters of all our religious, moral and social interests, consequently a reliable guard against, and preventative of crime. Show us a criminal and we will show you one who has not had or would not avail himself of proper educational advantages. This we think will prove true with rare exceptions. How important it is then that our children make the most of their educational advantages, so freely afforded them, and parents should insist upon their doing so.

The school board acting through their teachers has tried during the past few years to follow as closely as possible the program of studies prepared by the state superintendent of schools and his co-workers for the public schools of New Hampshire. It is of very great value to our schools to follow this program prepared by able and efficient men as a basis for all the schools throughout our state.

During the last year a change has been made in the program of studies, which if carried out, our schools will cover in six years the work formerly done in eight years. In other words the regular work done in our eight grades will be completed at the end of the sixth grade, and much work formerly done for the first time in the high school will be required in the seventh and eighth grades. That is, algebra, concrete geometry, latin or French, etc., will be taken in grades seven and eight.

This work ought to be well done in our schools (two rooms in a building) without extra cost. If done this will keep a few of our present pupils, not any of our future pupils, one or two years longer in the town schools. But they will do much advance and valuable work not before called for in

our schools. Then, too, our pupils will be far better fitted and equipped for their later high school work.

This, too, will probably make some difference to the town in the amount of tuition paid for pupils to attend high school.

To the young people of our town we wish to say—if you will allow us to speak from our own experience—that when you have completed your school days in our common schools and go to higher institutions or have entered upon the active duties of life, your chief regret will be that you did not better improve your time in the common schools. If you do not realize this now you will sometime. The proportion of life that you can devote to obtaining an education is short at the longest, therefore, we urge you not to waste any part of it.

We have endeavored to give the schools our best efforts and regret that we have not the ability to serve you better.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The school board recommend that the following sums be raised and appropriated the coming year:

Required by law,	$975 00
Text books and supplies,	150 00
District officers,	100 00
Insurance,	55 00
High school tuition,	500 00
Repairs,	50 00
Additional money needed,	670 00
	$2,500 00

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

Harrisville Grammar: For the year, Emile Beaulieu, Irene Bonnette, Georgianna Dion; for two terms, Clarice Beaulieu; for one term, Luke Boufford, Denery Boufford, Clarence Bouf-

ford, Joseph Beaulieu, John Johnson, Harold Ollis, James Pender, Alfred Wehren, Edward Winn, Mary Babb, Lavinia Berube, Catherine Berube, Yvonne Emery, Helen Halpin, Hilda Parent, Saara Sillanpaa, Angie Thayer.

Harrisville Primary: For two terms, Iris Ireland, Romeo Fairfield, Aili Makie, Leon Record; for one term, Agnes Beaulieu, Irene Bonnette, Alice Emery, Jennie Johnson, Eva Willard, Einari Ala, Clarence Blair, Lewis Berube, Albert Knowlton, Alfred Loiselle, Urja Stemen, Ralph Willard, Elbert Willard, Towa Wiljanen.

Chesham School: For the year, Ralph Bemis; for two terms, John Henry McGrath, Dorothy Whitcomb; for one term, Erwin Strong, Archibald Mason, Alice Lounder, Eva Lounder, Doris Smith, Evelyn Travis.

Eastview School: For two terms, Harry Gilchrist; for one term, Clarebon McLaughlin, Elwood Marden, Willard Worcester, Mabelle Richardson, Essie Worcester.

BERNARD F. BEMIS,
FRANK P. SYMONDS,
EUGENE F. KNOWLTON,
School Board.

Harrisville, N. H., February 15, 1917.

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1916,		$944 97
Received school appropriation form town treasurer,		2,166 00
Received from town of Roxbury, tuition,		21 00
Received from C. C. Farwell, interest on school fund,		25 28
Received from town treasurer, dog license money,		86 54
		$3,243 79
State school money:		
Literary fund,	$74 52	
Average attendance,	79 19	
Qualified teachers,	150 00	
		$303 71
Total amount received,		$3,547 50

EXPENDITURES.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Louise M. Phippard, teaching four weeks,	$55 00
Alice L. Galvin, teaching four weeks,	60 00
Iola C. Tuttle, teaching five weeks,	62 50
Alice L. Galvin, teaching four weeks,	60 00
Louise M. Phippard, teaching four weeks,	55 00

Alice L. Galvin, teaching four weeks,	60 00
Louise M. Phippard, teaching four weeks,	54 00
Duraxa W. Crawford, teaching four weeks,	52 00
Ethel M. Seaver, teaching four weeks,	40 00
Duraxa W. Crawford, teaching four weeks,	52 00
Louise M. Phippard, teaching four weeks,	54 00
Alice L. Galvin, teaching four weeks,	60 00
Ethel M. Seaver, teaching four weeks,	40 00
Alice L. Galvin, teaching three weeks,	45 00
Louise M. Phippard, teaching three weeks,	40 50
Duraxa W. Crawford, teaching four weeks,	52 00
Ethel M. Seaver, teaching two weeks,	20 00
Duraxa W. Crawford, teaching four weeks,	56 00
Alice L. Galvin, teaching four weeks,	60 00
Mabel F. Shea, teaching four weeks,	52 00
Ethel M. Seaver, teaching four weeks,	42 00
Alice L. Galvin, teaching four weeks,	60 00
Mabel F. Shea, teaching four weeks,	52 00
Ethel M. Seaver, teaching four weeks,	42 00
Duraxa W. Crawford, teaching four weeks,	56 00
Mabel F. Shea, teaching four weeks,	52 00
Alice L. Galvin, teaching four weeks,	60 00
Duraxa W. Crawford, teaching four weeks,	56 00
Phyllis Woodbury, teaching five weeks,	57 50
Ethel M. Seaver, teaching four weeks,	42 00
Ines C. Davis, teaching three weeks,	36 00
Alice L. Galvin, teaching four weeks,	60 00
Mabel F. Shea, teaching four weeks,	52 00
Duraxa W. Crawford, teaching three weeks,	42 00
Phyllis Woodbury, teaching three weeks,	36 00
Alice L. Galvin, teaching four weeks,	60 00
Mabel F. Shea, teaching four weeks,	52 00
Duraxa W. Crawford, teaching four weeks,	56 00

Phyllis Woodbury, teaching four weeks,	48 00
Ines C. Davis, teaching four weeks,	48 00
	$2,039 50

SCHOLARS' MILEAGE.

Albert Trudelle,	$9 80
Mrs. Minnie Worcester,	9 90
Mrs. Minnie Worcester,	8 80
Mrs. Hattie McLaughlin,	9 45
	$37 95

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION.

Hancock Educational Society,	$52 00
Union School District,	13 33
Hancock Educational Society,	74 00
Union School District,	13 33
Hancock Educational Society,	200 00
	$352 66

SUPPLIES.

Houghton, Mifflin Co., books,	$5 40
E. E. Babb & Co.,	25 10
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	13 60
Frontin Press Co., books,	6 25
Sears, Roebuck & Co., black board,	4 21
E. E. Babb & Co., books and supplies,	82 18
Edgar B. Leet, diplomas,	1 93
Edward E. Babb & Co., books and supplies,	37 14
	$175 81

SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Corban C. Farwell, auditor, 1916,	$2 00
Charles E. Trask, truant officer,	5 00
Samuel D. Bemis, treasurer,	12 00
Bernard F. Bemis, member school board,	35 00
Frank P. Symonds, member school board,	25 00
Eugene F. Knowlton, member school board,	26 50
	$105 50

FUEL.

Dublin Stage Co., coal,	$59 80
Dublin Stage Co., coal and wood,	51 24
D. R. Lounder, 140 ft. hard wood,	4 00
P. W. Russell, 1-2 ton coal,	5 50
Dublin Stage Co., 4,900 lbs. coal,	24 73
Samuel Mason, slab wood,	2 25
P. W. Russell, coal,	29 00
Samuel E. Willard, 2 cords wood,	9 00
P. W. Russell, 1 ton coal,	9 50
James Venable, 1-2 cord wood,	2 50
E. W. Seaver, kindlings delivered at Eastview,	3 00
	$200 52

JANITORS AND CLEANING.

Octave McDonald, janitor, four weeks,	$8 00
Octave McDonald, janitor, three weeks,	6 00
Ralph B. Bemis, janitor, thirteen weeks,	15 00
Octave McDonald, janitor, four weeks,	8 00
Octave McDonald, janitor, four weeks,	8 00
Octave McDonald, janitor, four weeks,	8 00
Ralph B. Bemis, janitor, twelve weeks,	10 00
Ethel M. Seaver, janitor, ten weeks,	5 00
Octave McDonald, janitor, four weeks,	8 00

Florence Worcester, cleaning,	2 75
Octave McDonald, janitor, four weeks,	8 00
Octave McDonald, cleaning,	3 00
Octave McDonald, janitor, four weeks,	10 00
Ralph B. Bemis, janitor, twelve weeks,	15 00
Ethel M. Seaver, janitor, twelve weeks,	6 00
Octave McDonald, janitor, four weeks,	10 00
Octave McDonald, janitor, four weeks,	10 00
Charles L. Partridge, cleaning closets,	2 50
	$143 25

REPAIRS.

Charles A. Gilchrist, repairs and material,	$10 00
Octave McDonald, repairs,	4 50
C. A. Gilchrist, repairs,	1 00
Frank F. Rogers, painting, repairs and material,	60 00
George W. Blodgett, labor and material,	5 50
Charles M. Brown, labor and material,	2 00
Charles M. Brown, setting glass and material,	1 72
Weston McRoy, new stove and labor,	27 80
O. J. Howard & Co., desk and chair,	12 00
Robert McColl, repairs on flagpole and furnace grate,	3 05
	127 57

SUNDRIES.

Lewis G. Hildreth, M. D., fumigating Chesham school-house,	$4 00
Charles Stevens, putting wood in shed,	1 00
E. M. Towne, sawing wood,	1 40
Charles M. Brown, organ cover,	1 40
B. F. Bemis, making out state report,	4 00
Cash paid for organ for Chesham school,	15 00
Paid for enumeration of scholars,	5 00

Mrs. George Disley, water tank,	1 50
Charles N. Nye, sawing wood,	90
C. M. Brown, coal hod,	40
G. F. Bemis, freight,	83
B. F. Bemis, telephoning, postage and expense,	8 50
W. B. McClellan, oil, glass, brooms, etc.,	6 72
	$50 65

RECAPITULATION.

Money received by treasurer,		$3,547 50
Money paid out:		
Teachers' salaries,	$2,039 50	
Fuel,	200 52	
Janitors and cleaning,	143 25	
Repairs,	127 57	
Supplies,	175 81	
High school tuition,	352 66	
Scholars' mileage,	37 95	
Sundries,	50 65	
School officers,	105 50	
		$3,233 41
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1917,		314 09
		$3,547 50

S. D. BEMIS,
Treasurer.

This certifies that I have examined the above accounts of the treasurer of the school district and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

CORBAN C. FARWELL,
Auditor.

Harrisville, N. H., Feb. 17, 1917.

VITAL STATISTICS.

To the Selectmen:

In compliance with an act of the legislature, passed June session, 1887, amended by the legislature of 1889, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report," I hereby submit the following:

Births Registered in the Town of Harrisville, N. H., for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1916.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	Sex and Condition.			Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
		Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of child 1st, 2d, etc.							
Jan. 15		F	L	6	Wilford Record	Orele Dancause	Laborer	Canada	Canada		
Feb. 24	Elizabeth J.	F	L	3	Clarence W. Seaver	Mary J. Lapoint	Laborer	Harrisville	Chesham		
Mar 22		F	L	6	Wm. McGrath	Lizzie E. Lapoint	Meat market	Winchendon, Ms.	Harrisville		
June 28		M	L	4	Albert Trudell	Emma Yonders	Farmer	Harrisville	Michigan		
Oct. 4	Annie May	F	L	1	Wm. Greenwood	Mary L. Clukey	Painter	Lowell, Mass.	Dublin		
Nov. 16		M	L	9	Fred Burby	Jennie McDonald	Mill hand	Canada	Massachusetts		
" 16		M	L	10	Fred Burby	Jennie McDonald	Mill hand	Canada	Massachusetts		

Marriages Registered in the Town of Harrisville, N. H., for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1916.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Condition.*	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Nov. 11	Harrisville	Bouno Page	Harrisville	30	Weaver	Canada	Ugenen Page	Canada	2d	Rev. D. J Cotter Harrisville
		Exilda McDonald	Harrisville	44	Weaver	Canada	Octiv McDonald	Canada	1st	

* What marriage—whether 1st, 2d, etc.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Harrisville, N. H., for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1916.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age. Years.	Months.	Days.	Place of Birth.	Sex and Cond'n Male or Female.	S., M., W.*	Place of Birth. Father.	Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 11	Robert McKim	77	9	2	Ireland	M	M	Ireland	Ireland	John McKim	Jane McKim
Feb. 6	Olive Kinesto		3	13	Harrisville	F	S	Finland	Finland	Nestor Kinisto	Unia Heikket
" 25	Elizabeth J. Seaver			½	Harrisville	F	S	Harrisville	Harrisville	C. W. Seaver	Mary J. Lapoint
July 18	Sarah E. Upton	72	5	8	Dublin	F	M	Dublin	Dorchester, Mass	Horace Yardly	Sarah E. Taylor
Sept. 8	Patrick C. Ryan	49	8		Worcester, Mass.	M	M	Ireland	Ireland	Michael Ryan	Mary Costello
Nov. 24	Felis Burbee			8	Harrisville	M	S	Canada	Massachusetts	Fred Burbee	Jennie McDonald

*Single, married or widowed.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of births, marriages and deaths is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

EDWARD L. KENISTON,

Town Clerk.

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